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To the Arlington Residents:

I wanted to send a message to the Arlington community to inform you of my decision to withdraw from the Natick Town Administrator process and to stay on as Arlington Town Manager. The past few weeks have been a whirlwind of excitement about new opportunity and a bittersweet feeling as I considered leaving a position and community that have given me so much personally and professionally over the past decade.

First and foremost, I am very pleased to stay in Arlington. I am excited about continuing to work with the Select Board, Town staff and the community on issues of critical importance. I am honored to be part of a team that is widely viewed as a statewide leader on issues of equity, climate change, community policing and responsible fiscal stewardship of taxpayer dollars. We have collectively done great work for the past decade, but there is always more to do, and I look forward to being part of the continued efforts.

I would also be remiss if I did not express my gratitude to the Natick Select Board for offering me such an exciting opportunity. However, since the Natick Select Board voted on June 14th to enter negotiations with me to become the next Natick Town Administrator, I have determined that the position may not have been the fit that it appeared to be following my several interviews with the Town. Nevertheless, I wish the Board and the people of Natick the very best going forward.

Many people in Arlington reached out to me with their support over the past several weeks and this reminded me of all the good work that is still left to do here in Town. I am excited by that work, and I look forward to doing it with all of you.

I hope that you all have a safe and enjoyable summer and I look forward to the work ahead.

Sincerely,

Adam W. Chapdelaine Town Manager